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SUBJECT: ALLON DEFENDS RABIN'S WASHINGTON VISIT AND RESTATES GOI
PALESTINE POSITION

1. REPLYING TO A LIKUD MOTION (MK YITZHAK SHAMIR) ASKING PRIME MINISTER RABIN TO DELAY ACCEPTANCE OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S INVITATION, FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON DEFENDED RABIN'S TRIP IN THE KNEESSET MARCH 2. AS SUMMARIZED IN THE GOI PRESS BULLETIN, ALLON SAID THAT RABIN WILL NOT RAISE NEW PROPOSALS BUT THAT DEFERRAL OF THE VISIT SIMPLY DECAUSE OF THE IMPENDING ELECTION WOULD HAVE HARMED "A MAJOR NATIONAL INTEREST." ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, ALLON ARGUED THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD NOT HAVE POSTPONED THE VISITS OF ARAB LEADERS HAD RABIN DECLINED THE INVITATION; HE REBUKED SHAMIR FOR NOT BEING PLEASED THAT RABIN WILL BE THE FIRST MIDDLE EAST LEADER TO VISIT WASHINGTON UNDER THE NEW ADMINISTRATION JUST AS SECRETARY VANCE "ENTERED THE MIDDLE EAST VIA THE GATEWAY OF JERUSALEM".

2. ALLON REITERATED THE GOI'S POSITION ON THE PALESTINE PROBLEM IN REPLY TO ANOTHER LIKUD MOTION (MK ZOLMAN SHOVAL)
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THE SAME DAY. SHOVAL'S MOTION REFERRED TO "RUMORS OF AGREEMENT BY CERTAIN MINISTERS TO ESTABLISHMENT OF A FEDERATION OF A SO-CALLED PALESTINIAN STATE AND JORDAN" AND CHARGED THAT ISRAEL ENTRAPPED ITSELF BY SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF SUCH A FEDERATION. ALLON, ACCORDING TO THE PRESS BULLETIN, REPLIED THAT ISRAEL CONTINUES TO OPPOSE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ANOTHER STATE BETWEEN JORDAN AND

ISRAEL AND HAS NEITHER DEMANDED NOR PRESENTED CONDITIONS
UNDER WHICH IT WOULD RECOGNIZE THE PLO. HE SAID THAT
ISRAEL MADE IT CLEAR TO SECRETARY VANCE "WHY THE PLO IS
OUT OF THE QUESTION AS A NEGOTIATION PARTNER WITH ISRAEL."
HE ADDED THAT NO MAPS WERE DISCUSSED DURING THE
SECRETARY'S VISIT.

3. BOTH MOTIONS WERE REFERRED TO THE KNESSET FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE.

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